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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Apparatus for randomizing and verifying sets of playing cards comprising:

A. control means;

B. input means for receiving playing cards into the apparatus;

C. identification means for reading indicia on the playing cards;

D. buffer means having a plurality of slots for temporarily holding cards;

E. directing means for directing cards from into slots in the buffer means;

F. transporting means for moving cards from the input means to and through the
identification means;

G. stacking means;

H. ejecting means for ejecting cards from the slots in the buffer means into the stacking
means; the apparatus adapted to verify that a true set of cards has been received in the input means
and to deliver a true set of cards at the stacking means in either a random order or a sorted order.

Process comprising providing such an apparatus; feeding to the input means one or more
cards either after they have been played in a game or from an unrandomized or unverified set; and
manually retrieving a verified true set of cards from the stacking means.

Also, process of playing in a casino setting or simulated casino setting a card game
comprising providing such an apparatus, feeding unverified sets of playing cards to the input
means, and recovering verified true sets of cards from the stacking means.